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Sponsor(s): Senators Swecker, Carlson, Hewitt, McDonald, Gardner,
Keiser, Costa, Winsley, Oke and Hale

Brief Description: Holding public hearings on initiatives.

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(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Finds that as the state officer with the responsibility of certifying initiatives to the ballot, the secretary of state should provide a formal opportunity for the general public to hear information about a ballot measure in a public setting with an opportunity for both proponents and opponents of the measure to present their arguments.

Declares an intent for the secretary to be a facilitator in this process and as such should maintain a neutral or nonbiased course of action throughout the public hearing process.